Growth rate of urban population

899. SHRI DIPEN GHOSH : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the annual growth rate of urban population and the housing in urban areas ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : The annual growth rate (exponential) of urban population in India has been 3.09% during 1981—91 according the provisional results of 1991 Census. The annual growth rate in housing stock is estimated to be 5.14% for the period 1971—81. The Census data on housing stock for the period 1981—91 is not yet available.

Unauthorised construction in Giri Nagar Colony, Kalkaji

900. SHRI N. E. BALARAM : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that in Giri Nagar Colony, Kalkaji, New Delhi, unauthorised construction is going on;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what action has been taken against those carrying illegal constructions ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Sewer line in Pandav Nagar, Delhi

901. SHRI N. E. BALARAM : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether sewer line has been laid in Pandav Nagar, Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) at what rate development charge are being recovered for sewer; and

(d) whether sewer lines would be laid in Laxmi Nagar, Delhi when the building owner have to pay development charge (sewer) and at what rate ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) and (b) No, Sir. DWS&SDU reports that the work of providing and laying sewers in Pandav Nagar, Shahdara is in progress since July, 1992. Completion period of this work is 15 months.

(c) As per policy applicable at the time of sanction of the scheme, the beneficiaries are required to pay Development Charges @Rs. 55/- Sq. mt. of the plotted area. The beneficiaries who pay full Development Charges, within three months of the notification of levy of scavenging tax are further given 10% rebate. Other beneficiaries are required to pay Development Charges in 30 quarterly equated instalments with 12 per cent interest.

(d) Yes, Sir. Scheme for providing and laying sewer line is under formulation. Beneficiaries will have to pay Development Charges at the rate to be fixed by DWS&SDU.

Staff of CPWD Working in Andaman and Nicobar Islands

902. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that South Zone I of C.P.W.D. has jurisdiction over works in Andaman and Nicobar Islands and also in Lakshadeep;

(b) if so, what are the works with their location and the Divisions which are looking after these works;

(c) whether any work charged and regular transferred category staff are employed on these works; and

(d) if so, their number in each category of post ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) :

(a) While the South Zone-I of CPWD is undertaking works in Andaman and Nicobar Islands as deposit works for Andaman and Nicobar Administration, there is no such wrok being undertaken by the CPWD in Lakshdeep.